FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. \$129

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TO: The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Homeowners' Association Governance

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

A Cost to the General Fund (See Below)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

The proposed Bill provides for the governance of homeowners' associations by the Secretary of State and the Department of Consumer Affairs by adding Article 3 to Chapter 31 Title 27 of the Code of Laws.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Consumer Affairs

The Department indicates there will be an annual cost to the General Fund of the State of approximately \$122,440 for four additional positions and a one-time cost of \$4,000 for equipment. The four new positions are: (1) Attorney, (1) Investigator, (1) Administrative/Paralegal and (1) Administrative Specialist. The Department estimates there are 2,800 homeowner associations in the State with a potential of 500 complaints to be investigated each year.

Secretary of State

The Office indicates there will be an annual cost to the General fund of the State of approximately \$105,780 for 1.00 Attorney II position and 2.00 Administrative Assistants and \$33,397 for other operating. The total annual impact is \$139,177.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

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